

CHAPTER 5 ESS APPROVAL PROCESS

5-1. Introduction. This chapter presents the ESS review and approval process for projects involving USACE initiatives. A period of 60 to 90 days should be provided for the review and approval of an ESS. The ESS will be routed and approved in accordance with DOD 6055.9-STD as implemented by DA and HQUSACE. HQUSACE delegated Major Command (MACOM) review and approval of ESSs to the Commander, U. S. Army Engineering and Support Center, Huntsville (USAESCH). HQUSACE and CESO retained the authority to review and approve ESSs for certain high risk or high visibility projects and to provide dispute resolution with respect to issues that cannot be resolved between USAESCH and the concerned party.

5-2. FUDS Projects Executed by the USACE Removal District.

a. The following process will be used in the preparation and review of an ESS for FUDS projects executed by the USACE removal district:

(1) The USACE Removal District will prepare the ESS and forward 4 copies to the OE Design Center.

(2) The OE Design Center forwards three copies of the ESS to the OE MCX for review and MACOM approval.

(3) The OE MCX reviews and provides MACOM approval and forwards two copies to USATCES for review and Army approval.

(4) USATCES will forward one copy to DDESB for final approval.

b. Figure 5-1 illustrates the ESS review and approval process for FUDS projects executed by the USACE removal district.

5-3. FUDS Projects Executed by an OE Design Center.

a. The following process will be used in the preparation and review of an ESS for FUDS projects executed by the OE Design Center:

(1) The OE Design Center is responsible for preparing the ESS.

(2) The OE Design Center forwards four copies to the USACE removal district and three copies to the OE MCX for review and MACOM approval.

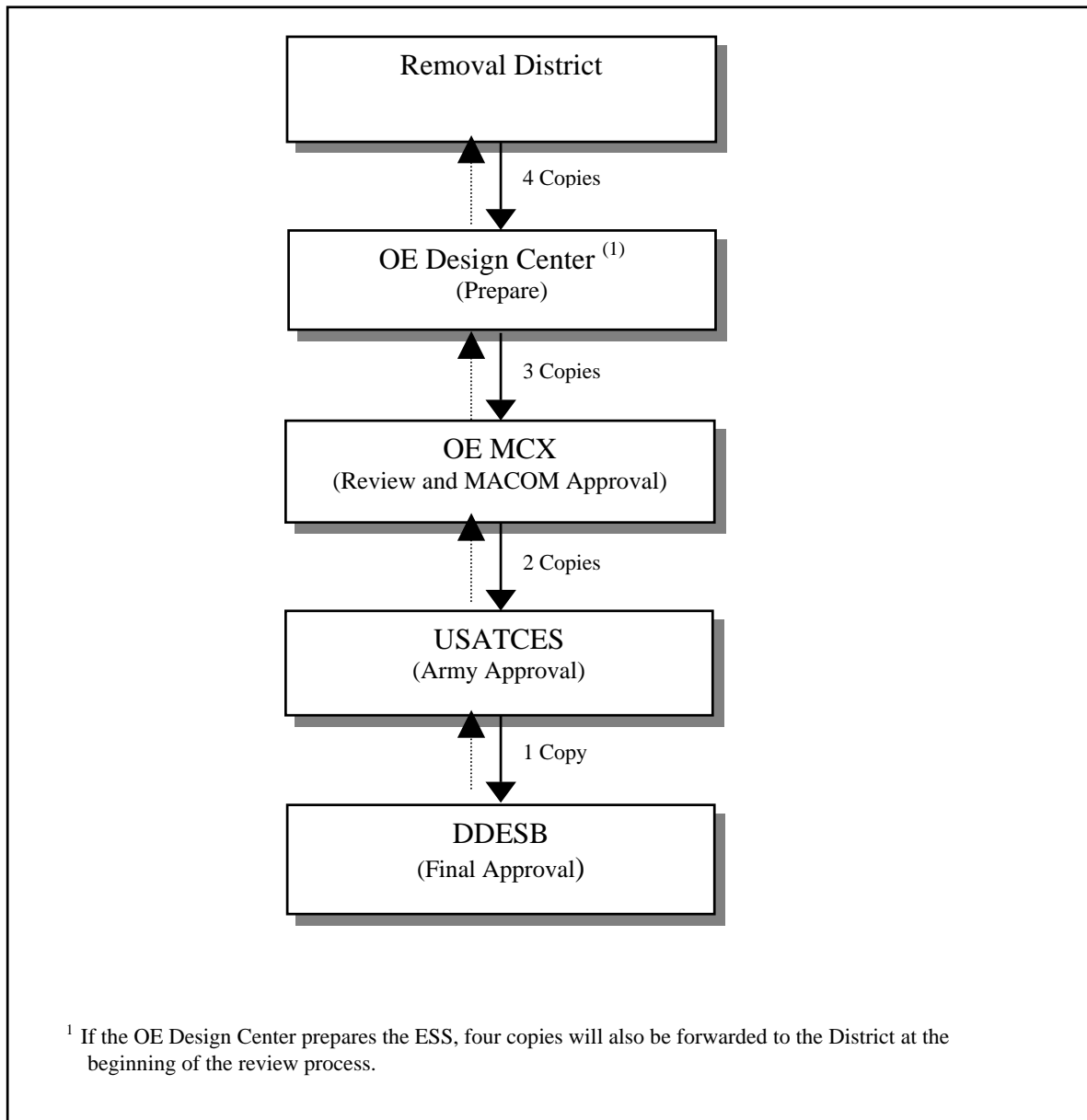


Figure 5-1. ESS Review and Approval Process for FUDS Projects

(3) The OE MCX reviews and provides MACOM approval and forwards two copies to USATCES for review and Army approval.

(4) USATCES will forward one copy to DDESB for final approval.

b. Figure 5-1 illustrates the ESS review and approval process for FUDS projects executed by the OE Design Center.

5-4. Installation Projects. The ESS may be prepared by the installation (active, BRAC, Excess and/or off-post (other than FUDS)) or the installation may request that the district or the OE Design Center prepare the ESS.

a. ESS prepared by the District or OE Design Center for an Installation Project.

(1) If the ESS is prepared by the USACE removal district or the OE Design Center, the following review and approval process will be followed:

(a) The OE MCX will conduct concurrent reviews of ESS prior to submittal to the installation.

(b) The installation will then gain approval in accordance with current service requirements.

(2) Figure 5-2 illustrates this ESS review and approval process.

b. ESS Prepared by the Installation for Installation Project to be executed by USACE. If the ESS is prepared by the installation, the following review and approval process will be followed:

(1) The installation provides two copies to the USACE removal district.

(2) The USACE removal district provides a copy to the OE MCX. Concurrently, the removal district coordinates comments with the OE MCX.

(3) The removal district forwards coordinated comments to the installation.

(4) The removal district needs to be in close coordination with the installation to ensure knowledge of any changes to the plan (changes to the plan will be coordinated with the OE MCX).

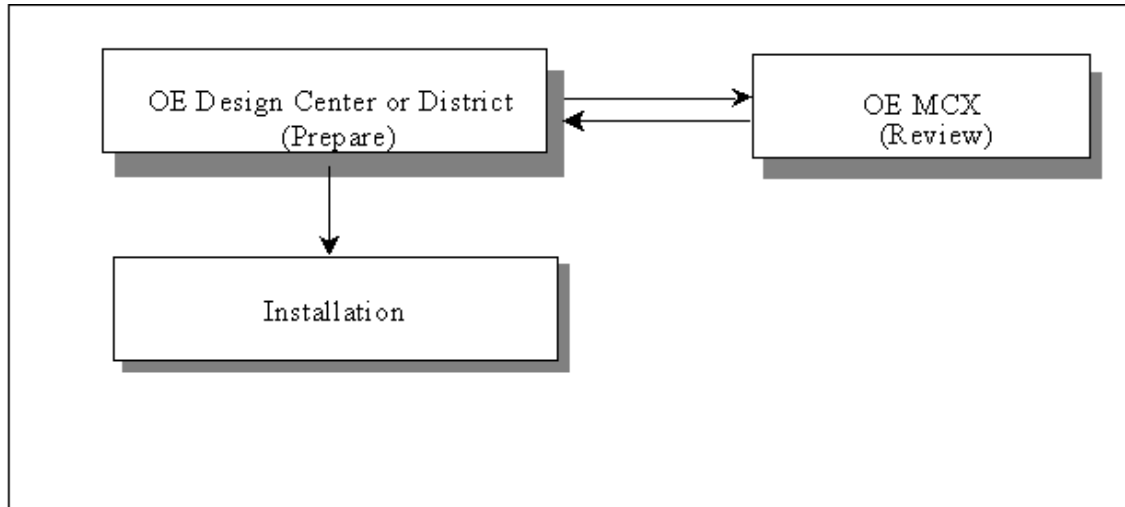


Figure 5-2. ESS Review and Approval Process for Installation Projects –
ESS Prepared by OE Design Center or District

5-5. TCRA ESS.

a. The following process will be used in the preparation, review, and approval of a TCRA ESS:

(1) FUDS: The USACE removal district is responsible for preparation of the ESS. If the TCRA will be performed by the OE Design Center, the ESS will be prepared by the OE Design Center.

(2) Other: The ESS will be submitted to the OE MCX for review and MACOM approval.

(3) The OE MCX will forward the ESS to USATCES for review and Army approval.

(4) USATCES will forward to DDESB for final approval.

b. Figure 5-3 illustrates this review and approval process.

c. A TCRA will not proceed to a NDAI status without an After Action Report that addresses all items required in a NTCRA ESS and justifies the NDAI. After Action Reports will be reviewed and approved in accordance with the requirements for a NTCRA ESS

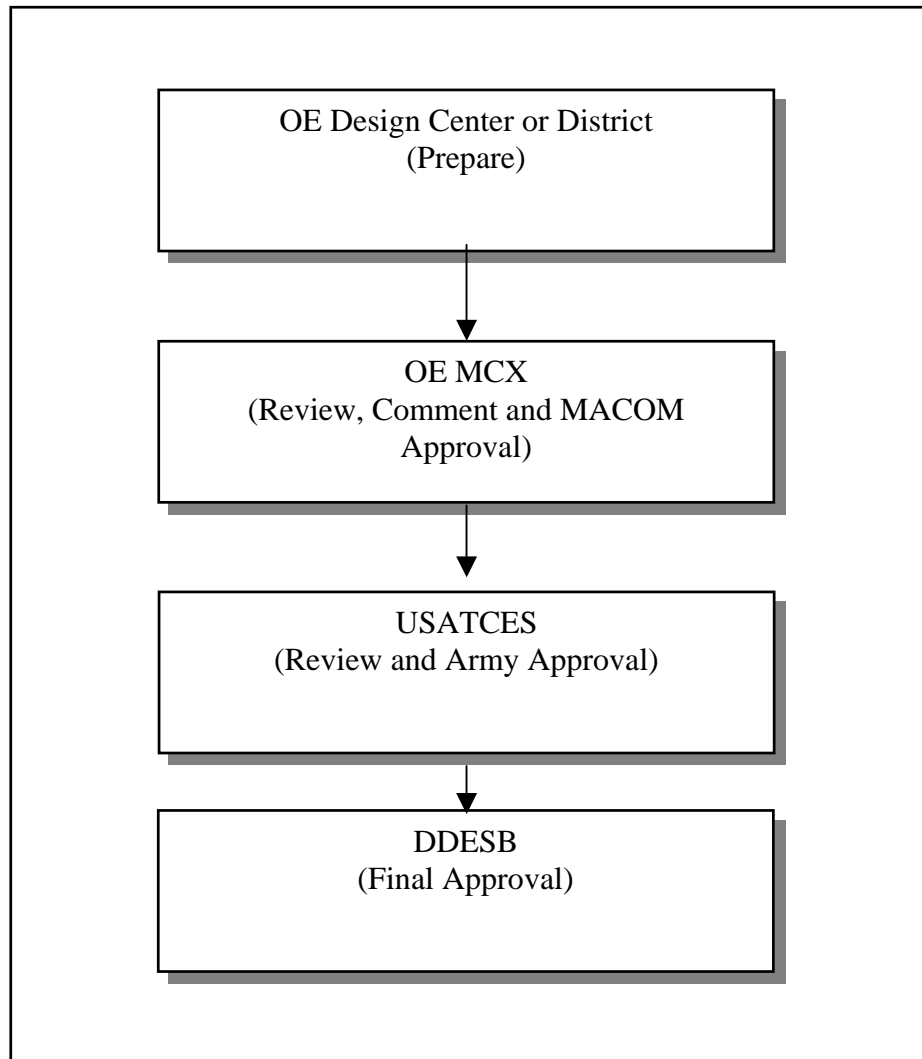


Figure 5-3. ESS Review and Approval Process for TCRA

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5-6. Addresses for Routing and Approval.

(1) DDESB: Chairman, Department of Defense Explosives Safety Board (DDESB-KO), 2461 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22331-0600.

(2) DA Safety: Chief of Staff (DACS-SF), 200 Army Pentagon, Washington, DC 20310-0200.

(3) CESO: USACE Headquarters, ATTN: CESO, 441 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20314-1000.

(4) OE MCX: Commander, U.S. Army Engineering and Support Center (Huntsville), ATTN: CEHNC-OE-CX, P.O. Box 1600, Huntsville, AL 35807-4301.

(5) USATCES: Director, Defense Ammunition Center, ATTN: SOSAC-ESL, Building 35, 1 C Tree Road, McAlester, OK, 74501-9053.